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Toshio YOKOYAMA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003 1207A

Serial No. 10/647,457 : Group Art Unit 1762

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APPARATUS FOR AND METHOD OF PROCESSING SUBSTRATE

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of June 20, 2006, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-18 and 22-33, drawn to an apparatus for electroless plating, without traverse, for further prosecution. In view of this election, a full examination on the merits of the present application is respectfully requested.

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